

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation creates a penalty for critical infrastructure trespass. The bill mirrors large sections of existing trespass law, including providing for misdemeanor and felony charges based on the circumstances of the action. For individuals who plead or are found guilty of a misdemeanor, sentencing may include up to six months in jail and a fine up to \$1,000. For individuals who plead or are found guilty of a felony, sentencing includes up to 10 years in a state penitentiary and a fine up to \$10,000. A separate fine of up to \$100,000 exists for an individual or organization that solicits critical infrastructure trespass.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation will have a de minimus impact on the General Fund or other funding sources, assuming prosecution remains with local authorities for misdemeanor charges. In the event, prosecution results in a felony plea or conviction and placement in a state facility, the average cost per day (FY20) for an Idaho prison resident is \$74.34. If the Attorney General leads the prosecution, the office is currently funded.

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